(SHRI M.M. JACOB): (a) Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act, 1976 regulates receipt and utilisation of Foreign Contributions received by associations/organisations having definite cultural, economic, educational, religious or social programmes, etc. Foreign Missionaries-wise information is not maintained.

(b) Under the provisions of the Act, it is not obligatory on the part of the donor to furnish information about funds to the concerned State Government or the Union Government.

(c) No instance of misuse has come to notice during the said period.

(d) Does not arise.

[English]

Bonds Executed by Kuwait Refugees of Indian Origin

3919. SHRI SUSHIL CHANDRA VARMA: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state the decision taken by the Government in regard to the bonds which were got executed by the Kuwait refugees of Indian origin when they were brought to India?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI MADHAVSINH SOLANKI): The Government of India vide Gazette Notification dated 20th March, 1991 has waived the recovery of repatriation charges from the Indians who were evacuated from Kuwait to India during the period commencing on 2nd August, 1990 and ending with 14th March, 1991. Therefore bonds executed by them are not enforceable.

Irrigation Projects in Maharashtra

3920. SHRI ANNA JOSHI:
SHRI SUDHIR SAWANT:

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether some major and medium irrigation projects in Maharashtra are pending with the Union Government;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether feasibility studies regarding those projects have been conducted;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the details of the ongoing irrigation projects in the State?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI VIDYACHARAN SHUKLA): (a) to (e) A statement giving status of appraisal and details of ongoing irrigation projects of Maharashtra is attached.

STATEMENT

(A) Status of Appraisal of Irrigation Projects

S.No.	Status of clearance	No. of Projects Major	Medium
1.	Techno-economic examination completed, found acceptable by the Advisory Committee and referred to Planning Commission for clearance after compliance of observations of Advisory Committee.	2	1
2.	Techno-economic examination completed and found acceptable by the Advisory Committee subject to compliance of certain observations by the State Government.	10	17
3.	Techno-economic examination completed ready for consideration of the Advisory Committee.	1	—
4.	Under correspondence with the State Government for establishing their techno-economic viability.	2	4
	Total	15	22

For laying down comprehensive guidelines for preparation of project reports, the Central Government had constituted a Working Group in 1977-78. The Working Group after deliberation, prepared guidelines in 1980 for preparation of detailed project reports on irrigation and multipurpose projects. The guidelines include the types of investigations and studies to be made for establishing the techno-economic viability of the proposal. The guidelines have